

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 HB3343

by Rep. Sonya M. Harper

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/12-4.13c new

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Requires the Department of Human Services to establish a Restaurant Meals Program to permit individuals who are elderly, persons with a disability, and homeless individuals to redeem their Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits at private establishments that contract with the Department to offer meals for eligible SNAP recipients at concessional prices. Requires the Restaurant Meals Program to be operational no later than January 1, 2020. Requires the Department to adopt rules. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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2020.

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by adding Section 12-4.13c as follows:
- 6 (305 ILCS 5/12-4.13c new)
- 7 Sec. 12-4.13c. SNAP Restaurant Meals Program.
- (a) The Department of Human Services shall establish a 8 9 Restaurant Meals Program as part of the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Under the Restaurant 10 Meals Program, households containing elderly or disabled 11 12 members, and their spouses, as defined in 7 U.S.C. 2012(j), or homeless individuals, as defined in 7 U.S.C. 2012(1), shall 13 14 have the option in accordance with 7 U.S.C. 2012(k) to redeem their SNAP benefits at private establishments that contract 15 16 with the Department to offer meals for eligible individuals at concessional prices subject to 7 U.S.C. 2018(h). The Restaurant 17 Meals Program shall be operational no later than January 1, 18
- 20 <u>(b) The Department of Human Services shall adopt any rules</u>
 21 necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.
- 22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

becoming law. 1